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**Established 1885**

## BADGES of HONOR

*Excerpts from presentation speech by Marie Fitz*

The Theta Archives in Central Office contain a treasure trove of jeweled fraternity pins. Even though they are on display for any visiting Theta to see, the fact is that only a very small percentage of Thetas are aware of the collection. In 1977 Grand President, Marie Fitz with the concurrence of Grand Council, decided that four of the most beautiful badges could be seen and appreciated by a large cross section of Theta membership, if they were worn by officers who come in contact with many Thetas.

The four badges selected were designated Badges of Honor, to be worn by each of the four Grand Vice-Presidents as a symbol of office . . . her own distinctive badge of office. Since 1956 the Grand President has had her own badge of office presented by Ellen Bowers Hofstead upon her retirement as Grand President.

The badges were first presented at Leadership Conference in 1977, to the four Grand Vice-Presidents, who retained custody of them until they were passed to their successors in office. First to wear the Badges of honor were Kahla Latta, GVP Alumnæ; Marjorie Schnacke, GVP Service; Sue Supple, GVP College and Ann Lauterbach, GVP Finance.

Each badge has a special meaning for the office it represents. The Grand Vice-President Alumnæ, Omah Klopfenstein now wears the badge of Elinor Leith Sabin who was initiated into Psi chapter, Wisconsin in 1890. With its border of opals with diamond points, it is especially fitting as a badge of office of the Grand Vice-President, Alumnæ Program. The opal is the symbol of hope. Opals also signify a love for all, the trait of our alumnæ everywhere as they serve the fraternity and their own communities. The diamond points stand for permanence synonymous with "Theta for a Lifetime."

Lynn Davis, newly elected Grand Vice President, Service Program wears the pin of Tella Chapman, Kappa, Kansas 1885. The unusual border of turquoise stands for wellbeing and healing powers which we can relate to the Service Committee's loving administration of the Friendship Fund. Turquoise also is a stone giving good fortune. Alternating pearls in the border symbolize culture.

Sue Supple, Grand Vice-President College was the first wearer of the pin of Myrtle Rice Haynes initiated into Mu chapter in 1885. With her reelection in June she will wear the badge for two more years. This badge with its alternating border of rubies and pearls, seems most appropriate as the badge of office of the Grand Vice-President, College Program. Rubies are a symbol of charity and independence . . . familiar traits extolled in our own Ritual. The pure blood-red in the rubies' depths represents our collegians . . . the life-blood of the fraternity. Pearls are the only gems that grow in their natural environment, as our collegians grow within the college chapters.

The badge of Anna K. Wolfe, Alpha Beta chapter, Swarthmore, initiated in 1902, with its magnificent emerald and diamond border is now worn by Mary Arnold, as Grand Vice-President, Finance Program. Anyone seeing the green of the emeralds will easily be able to make the connection . . . money. More significantly, emeralds stand for love and diamonds stand for brilliance . . . two traits mandatory for the one entrusted with the responsibility of managing fraternity assets.

Theta badges steeped in history and once confined to the archives where few could see and appreciate them, are now on roving display as our Grand Vice-Presidents travel across the land among Thetas, carrying out the charge of office and wearing their Badges of Honor.





*Pledge Scholarship winners Marian Kiesow and Ronalee Kandor in front of Bently Hall, 1820, first building on Allegheny campus.*

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*Mu*

## ALLEGHENY COLLEGE

In 1981, Mu chapter at Allegheny College will be celebrating its one hundredth anniversary. This gives Mu the distinction of being the oldest chapter in the district. Situated in Meadville, PA, on a campus with a beautiful mixture of old and new buildings, Mu Thetas keep many of their old traditions and each year add something new.

One of the many Theta chapters which does not have a chapter house, Mu has a chapter room on the fourth floor of Brooks Hall. History tells us that Mu started out on the fourth floor of another hall. In the spring of 1882, a few months after its chartering, the College assigned the Thetas a room on the fourth floor of Hulings' Hall, the women's dormitory. It is a tradition for Mu Thetas to wait in their chapter room for new pledges to "run up" to the fourth floor after accepting a bid.

Close ties to the Allegheny alumnae help to build a strong feeling for the lifetime aspect of being a Theta.



*Informal chapter meeting in the Theta room, Brooks Hall, home for Thetas at Allegheny.*





*Pitt campus at night.*

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*Sally Organ Hughes, Beta Omega, Colorado College, Alumnae District President.*

## Alpha Omega

### UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

In 1915, Kappa Alpha Theta came to the University of Pittsburgh. Today the Thetas at Pitt are one of twelve national sororities.

In 1964 the old homes serving as chapter houses for sororities were declared unsafe to occupy. The university purchased an old apartment complex, and Amos Hall in that complex, now houses all Pitt sororities except for two, Kappa Alpha Theta and Kappa Kappa Gamma. Thanks to the work of local alumnae of both sororities and the support of their nationals, a Theta-Kappa duplex was built, so that we could continue to have our own house.

Alpha Omega is one of the largest sorority chapters at Pitt where Greeks are the backbone of student activities. It is the Greeks who form the arch with their standards to welcome the Pitt Panthers onto the football field, as well as staging activities of their own, Derby Days and Greek Week. These activities are not only fun but for a good cause. Greek Week this year raised \$45,000 for the American Heart Association. Thetas are involved in many aspects of campus life. Individual Thetas were represented in eight scholastic honoraries this year.

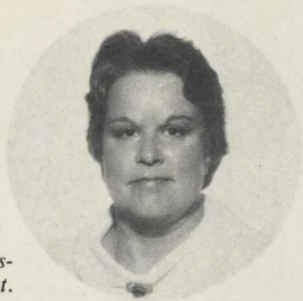


*Pitt Thetas welcome rushees to preference parties.*



*Cookout time . . . barbecued hotdogs from the habachi on the patio.*





*Sally Cowan Reinhold, Psi, Wisconsin, College District President.*



*Gamma Theta's new chapter house.*

## *Gamma Theta*

### CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY

As the Greek membership and way of life accelerates on the compact campus of Carnegie-Mellon University in Pittsburgh, Gamma Theta chapter also continues to grow. Kappa Alpha Theta came to Carnegie-Mellon in 1944 and is now the largest sorority on campus.

This past year Gamma Theta moved into a new chapter house, one of five sorority houses built by CMU. On the first floor are the living room, dining room and kitchen. Bedrooms take over the two upper floors. All sixteen residents find the modern house and new kitchen appliances quite a luxury. The entire chapter is reveling in the gracious accommodations and additional room, as the chapter previously occupied a single, dormitory floor.

Accomplishment is a Gamma Theta trademark. Thetas hold major responsibilities in campus activities such as yearbook, newspaper, UFO and Panhellenic. Scholastically, Gamma Theta always ranks first or second.

The past year's most rewarding project was the Valentine's Day carnation sale which raised \$600 divided between the Pennsylvania School for the Blind and the Theta Foundation.



*Carnegie Mellon campus in winter with a view of the Pitt campus tower in the background.*



*Gamma Thetas taking in the view from the third floor covered deck.*





*Spring comes to Penn State and the Thetas gather for picture taking outside Wolf Hall, their dorm.*

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*Beta Phi*

## PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

Looking forward to their Golden Anniversary in May, Beta Phi Thetas at Pennsylvania State University in University Park, PA can also take satisfaction in looking back upon 50 years of accomplishment.

Now the largest sorority at Penn State, the seventy-three members are involved in many campus activities, including Panhellenic offices, college council offices and newspaper staff. In addition they have been able to maintain their number one scholarship standing among PSU sororities for the past three terms.

Members of Beta Phi share the same dormitory floor in Wolf Hall. On the ground floor of the dormitory, they enjoy all the comforts of home in their newly remodeled suite, which serves as both a living room and a chapter room.

Beta Phis have worked hard to accomplish many things this past year, of which they are very proud. During formal rush, Theta was one of three sororities to take quota. Recently they won the coveted first place enthusiasm award in the Phi Psi philanthropy and placed 2nd during Penn State's Greek Week.

Hard work, enthusiasm and unity have proved to be key factors in the strengthening and growth of the Beta Phi chapter at Penn State.







*Leesa Wilson, Beta chapter displaying the McCalla pin at the presentation ceremony.*

#### **BETA—Indiana**

##### **Symbol of a Proud Heritage**

A new honor, the McCalla pin, was instituted this year at Beta chapter. Leesa Wilson, senior majoring in English, was awarded the 100 year old pin in recognition of outstanding campus and chapter leadership.

Mary McCalla a member of Beta chapter, class of 1881, and her husband Charles Harris, a Phi Kappa Psi at Indiana University, requested at the time of their deaths that their respective fraternity pins be kept by their son, to be returned to their fraternity chapters when their son died. Beta chapter and Phi Kappa Psi received the pins in the fall of 1979.

Leesa is a member of Indiana University Foundation Steering Committee, Blue Key, and has been on the Dean's list four semesters. She was also a nominee for the Elvis J. Starr Outstanding Senior award and a member of Arete, a Greek honorary.

Dr. Herman B. Wells, University Chancellor, presented the pins to the chapters in October and said, "There is very great significance that lies with these pins. Both Mary McCalla and Charles Harris played active roles in their chapters and for sentimental reasons returned their pins to be used however the chapters chose."

Mary McCalla Harris was the granddaughter of the first Indiana University president, Andrew Wiley and a member of one of the first prominent Indiana University families, according to Chancellor Wells. She was the 30th initiated member of Beta chapter.

Beta chapter is proud to have this tangible symbol of its heritage and legacy and will award the pin each year to the girl who has best displayed Beta's traditions and high ideals.

Susan Pulliam, editor

#### **GAMMA—Butler**

##### **Philanthropy Effort Has Personal Significance**

Initiations and social functions always seem to draw the members of Gamma chapter at Butler University closer together. Everyone gets involved in these happy occasions. Yet all is not always carefree and exciting in campus life. Last year the members of Gamma chapter returned from Christmas break to find that sophomore Liz Halvorson would not return because she had discovered that she had Hodgkins disease.

While Liz's absence left a notable void in the chapter, both sides arranged plans to keep in touch. Although Liz lived 500 miles away, letters and telephone calls were frequent. Valentine's Day we mailed a large package of homemade Valentine cards.

At the pledge dance in April, Gammas decided to donate the proceeds to Hodgkins disease. A total of \$76 was donated to the Cancer Society and designated toward research of Hodgkins. The new initiates brilliantly transformed the Theta house into an Old West scene. A facsimile of a western hotel lobby greeted guests and a small corral was created from the living room. An outdoor grill was located on the patio. The House Corporation and Advisory Board gave generous donations, and the Sigma Chi Mother's Club also donated money to the cause.

As a chapter, we felt we could best serve Liz by raising money to combat Hodgkins disease.

Lisa McCrum, editor

#### **OMICRON—Southern California**

##### **USC Thetas are Proud of Individual and Chapter Achievements**

Last year Omicron chapter at the University of Southern California emphasized the need for "all-Greek" relations and effectively achieved goals to improve and inspire the spirit of the Greeks.

Mary Overton, past pledge chairman, initiated an "all row" pledge education committee workshop. Pledge chairman for the Greek community came together to discuss ideas on eliminating hazing, time-management, pledge programs and various other topics.

Theta's joined the Sigma Alpha Epsilons in a successful 24 hour volleyball marathon to raise money for Muscular Dystrophy. Our biggest accomplishment was participation in the first "all Greek" philanthropy project.

With Alpha Tau Omegas as the Thetas' partner in this two day project, we sanded and painted a house and landscaped the grounds at a nearby women's rescue mission, The Sunshine Mission.



**RHO—Nebraska**

**Friendship Kite Award  
Started at Rho**

Being a college member is a special time in any Theta's life, but at Rho chapter our alumnae have shown us what Theta for a lifetime really means. They started a special memorial award which is given to a member of the chapter each year. The award is the Sally O'Shea Meginnis Friendship Kite Award.

Sally was a very special person who gave one hundred percent all the time. She was giving, kind, thoughtful, a loyal friend. As an alumna she served as President of the House Corporation. She received the Alumnae Kite Award, which is given yearly to an outstanding alumna. Whatever her activity, Sally participated with enthusiasm and warmth.

Sally was also active in the community . . . president of the Junior League of Lincoln, and work with the Children's Zoo and the Madonna Professional Health Care Foundation. The mother of five boys she was also involved in their interests.

When she died a friend decided that an award should be initiated in her memory. Thetas from all over the United States who knew Sally responded with donations which enabled the establishment of a fund with the University of Nebraska Foundation. The winner who is chosen by the chapter based on qualities and ideals exemplified by Sally Meginnis is given a scholarship and gold kite shaped pendant, surrounded by diamonds.

The first winner of the Sally Meginnis Award was Lori Jones, who passed it this year to Ann Huston.

Sally Lewis, editor

**PHI—University of the Pacific**

**Mrs. Eve Koerber Honored  
for 25 Years at Phi**

Mrs. Eve Koerber is more than a fixture at Phi chapter at Pacific. She is a tradition, and to show how much her being with them has meant to many generations of Phi Thetas, a luncheon was held in her honor last spring. Attended by the chapter members and many alumnae who returned to greet Mrs. Koerber and swap stories with her, the festive occasion emphasized the bond of friendship and respect that frequently develops between Thetas and their house "moms."

A representative of each class presented Mrs. Koerber with a rose and the chapter gave her a commemorative plaque which will hang in the house. A source of strength, a confident, a friend and a "mom," for 25 years, Mrs. Koerber has helped us keep our traditions strong.

Cheryl Howenstein, editor

**CHI—Syracuse**

**Chi's New Rush Skit Portrays  
the Meaning of Theta**

If you haven't heard, Chi's rush was a great success! One party in particular became the talk of the rushees. This was the party where our new skit, "Kitten" was presented.

"Kitten" was adapted from the Broadway musical, "Pippin." The music and songs were used to convey our ideas about rush and choosing Theta.

The skit follows an innocent girl (Kitten) through rush as she searches for her "Corner of the Sky" in Syracuse. Very much confused, Kitten is guided to Theta by the narrator, who reassures Kitten that she's on the right track. However on her way to preferencing, Kitten is still unsure about rush and whether a sorority is right for her. In the finale, Kitten is told to think about her life and "the beauty of one perfect place." Kitten is then convinced that she had made the right choice, for the love she finds at Theta.

Jayne Rumolo adapted the skit, directed it and played the role of narrator. Connie Marshall was the choreographer. Many long hours of dancing, singing, costuming, and rehearsing went into perfecting our dramatic, mini-musical. The skit was so successful that we revived the old tradition of performing the rush skit on Parents' Weekend.

Lori Turner

**PSI—Wisconsin**

**Kites and Spirits  
Soaring at Wisconsin**

This past year has proved to be a very proud one for Psi chapter. Honors bestowed on our members, Psi's 90th birthday and our beautiful house redecoration all added to our chapter's pride.

One member who has done much to promote Theta spirit is Jane Klewin. Jane received the most prestigious award the Greek community offers, Greek Woman of the Year. This award is based on chapter achievement and scholastic record.

Jane has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa and is also the 1979 Hanna Fitch Shaw Scholar as well as being a member of Phi Kappa Phi, Mortar Board, Crucible, and Sigma Epsilon Sigma. Jane has served as Psi chapter president and fraternity education chairman.

Another honor came our way. Kristen Weigell, chapter president gave an inspirational speech at the Grand Convention in Florida.

Besides the honor coming to our members, Psi was proud to celebrate its 90th birthday. We enjoyed a celebration complete with cake, alumnae, and a skit demonstrating Psi's beginnings. Later everyone signed a kite that will be saved as a time capsule to be opened on our 100th birthday.

Susan Murphy, editor



## **PHI deuteron—Stanford**

### **New Chapter Proud of its Charter Member Leaders**

In 1977, after 33 years, the ban on sororities at Stanford was lifted. Phi deuteron chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta began with 13 members, and now, two years later, there are over one hundred!

The chapter itself struggled to achieve this success, but two members stand out. The women who fought the hardest to establish a Theta chapter at Stanford were Nancy Hoffman and Pam Hutchcraft.

Recently graduated, both were among the 13 founders who managed to survive an overwhelming first rush. When Phi deuteron was installed as a chapter in 1978, Nancy Hoffman became our president, and Pam Hutchcraft served as chaplain. A year later Pam succeeded Nancy as chapter president. Nancy then went on to become president of the Inter-Sorority Council (ISC).

As head of ISC, Nancy represented all the Stanford sororities and worked for the interest of the system as a whole. Meanwhile, Pam acted as spokeswoman for Thetas specifically. Together they created a formidable team.

This past year they undertook the difficult task of gaining recognition from the university administration. Pam and Nancy attended many meetings with university officials who grilled them on Theta national policy. They spent hours going through the Constitution, trying to develop compromises between Theta's regulations and Stanford's. They constantly tried to convince the university, press and friends that there is a need for sororities at Stanford!

Despite their best efforts, the request for recognition was denied. The administration contends that sororities do not satisfy the requirements for student organizations because they fail to achieve local autonomy. Therefore, we have been forced to hold all of our activities off campus. But we are not giving up!

"As long as the need continues to exist, the organization is a viable one," said Nancy. She cited our recent rush as an example of the continued demand for an apolitical women's group that offers the opportunity to build friendships. Many girls participated in rush, even though it was held off campus. It was more successful than anyone expected.

For two years Nancy's and Pam's lives revolved around sororities, but they also managed to remain good students and to participate in other activities.

Nancy was an active leader for the Heritage Fund, a student run scholarship organization, was involved in sports and coached junior high basketball teams. She created her own major in social sciences and is now pursuing a career in business.

Pam was a Girl Scout leader, taught physical education to the handicapped, participated in the campus Public Affairs service by giving lectures and tours of Stanford, taught Sunday school and was active in Cap and Gown, a women's honor society and service organization. She majored in human biology and is pres-

## **ALPHA GAMMA—Ohio State**

### **Alpha Gammas Take Pride in Their President's Achievements**

Alpha Gamma chapter is proud of its members but there is one in particular whom the chapter feels is a very strong representative and worthy spokeswoman for Theta. Chapter President Mary Anne Mullen is one of the most active and respected members of Alpha Gamma. Her resume of activities and honors is very impressive as is her definition and appreciation of Theta in her own life.

When Mary Anne pledged Theta she immediately began developing her leadership qualities as vice-president of the pledge class, and later as vice-president of Junior Panhellenic. That same year she was awarded the Outstanding Pledge award and was a district winner of the Foundation Scholarship. As a sophomore Mary Anne acted as the chapter's service chairman, served on the Arts and Sciences Student Council and was the recipient of the Marjorie Dean Honor Pin for sophomore activities.

She was elected chapter president as a sophomore, an experience that proved to be a very formative aspect of Mary Anne's college life. During her term of office she was inducted into two honoraries, Archon and Chimes. Last year as a senior in International Business with aspirations toward law school, and a judgeship, Mary Anne served as Chief Justice of Panhellenic and was a member of Ohio Staters Inc. and Mortar Board. She received the Conway-Chase award for outstanding Greek senior women. "If it hadn't been for Theta," Mary Anne admits, "I probably would have gone through school just expecting to be married soon after graduation. She says she came to Ohio State with a whole different set of priorities, but other Thetas showed her the opportunities open to her, and helped her to develop her talents. Mary Anne definitely believes that the confidence and leadership that she has developed can be credited to the opportunities she took advantage of in the Alpha Gamma chapter.

Christy Schloss, editor

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ently working towards a master's degree in special education. Both agreed that Theta has been a wonderful experience. What about all the time spent working for a goal that did not materialize?

"No regrets!" said Nancy, "I am constantly impressed and pleased with where we're going!" She believes that Phi deuteron represents the conscience of the sorority system at Stanford.

If we are on the right track, it was Nancy and Pam who put us there. Their leadership, their enthusiasm, their hard work and their friendship have helped Phi deuteron become a strong link in the national chain.

They graduated in June leaving behind them a legacy, an example of commitment and inspiration. We owe a significant part of our reestablishment to Pam Hutchcraft and Nancy Hoffman.

Wendy Wallner, editor





*Mary Anne Mullen, Alpha Gamma,  
Ohio State, chapter president.*

### **ALPHA LAMBDA—Washington** **Singing Together Exemplifies** **Theta Spirit**

A chapter is an organized group of girls, close friends, attempting to grow and share together. This year, as usual, the Alpha Lambdas participated in the annual Songfest event during Greek Week at the University of Washington. This one activity seemed to exemplify what Theta means—loving, sharing, and caring for one another. Each girl gave something, whether it was her voice, an opinion, or moral support.

Group activities bring a chapter closer. The work involved affects everyone. To be successful everybody must be a part. The super thing about all of this is that no one sees it as an interference or bother. The half hour necessary is not demanded, but freely given. Each person unknowingly lends support when it is most needed.

This sharing of ideas and talents combined with the care for those surrounding you is what Theta is all about. The culmination of this time and effort occurred when 90 girls raised their voices and smiling faces to harmonize the warmth and love that is Theta.

Ketta Fry

### **ALPHA MU—Missouri** **Pride, A Way of Life** **At Alpha Mu**

"Pride" is a word commonly used by the Alpha Mu Thetas at the University of Missouri. During the Homecoming celebration last fall, the service project became a source of pride for the Thetas.

The competition for the University involved a project showing pride in the University of Missouri. The Theta Service Committee, headed by Liz Pitcock worked closely with the University Chancellor in choosing a service project for the school's benefit. The resulting historical tour around campus won first place. Working with the Phi Kappa Theta Fraternity, both houses pitched in to help paint black and gold stripes (Theta colors and MU colors), and placing markers, both of which aided in following the tour. Friday and Saturday and Homecoming Week, every Theta contributed time to the project by guiding tours for the public.

This pride project definitely exemplified our feeling for the chapter and the University. The project was judged on contribution to the school as well as participation, and the Thetas pulled together and won the competition.

Lisa Revare, editor

### **ALPHA PI—North Dakota** **Graduation . . . A Time** **of Reflection**

The happiest time of the year is Spring. It is also an emotional time in the life of a senior. Watching seniors prepare for graduation, saying good bye to college ties, yet at the same time going on to bigger and better things, is a time when the meaning of Theta comes into sharp focus. The hours and moments we have all shared together knowing next fall their faces will not be among us, these days are the beginning of memories. Every person has her own place in Theta and that place will never be filled, exactly, by those who replace you. The last weeks of school, the firesides, senior supper, alumnae tea, are all reminiscent of what Thetas has meant for seniors and those departing who are not graduating. This is a true meaning of Theta.



## **ALPHA RHO—South Dakota**

### **Overcoming Odds Make Victory Prouder**

When time is short and odds seem impossible, some people tend to give up, but not so with Alpha Rho. Everything went wrong with costume construction for the annual Strollers Show (a song and dance competition between organized groups on campus). Just two weeks before show time, with a pattern still in the brainstorming stage, it was discovered that material for twenty four costumes was not available in the community. Sewing machines and willing seamstresses could not be found within our chapter. A mad search was started, but four days before performance time, preparations were still pending. Senior Ann Vellek came to the rescue and took on the project. She designed a pattern suitable for anybody, found enough material in surrounding towns and rounded up an enthusiastic troop of seamstresses. With Ann's determination and imagination and her crew's help the costumes were finished just hours before show time. The greatest surprise of the evening came when Alpha Rho was awarded the prize for "Best Costume." Ann's joy and Alpha Rho's gratitude for her outstanding efforts will be long remembered. Kristi Kroon, editor

## **ALPHA PHI—Sophie Newcomb**

### **Initiation Day—Always Memorable at Alpha Phi**

The meaning of Theta is perhaps best exemplified each year at Alpha Phi by the initiation ceremony. This year's initiation was no exception.

The members gathered at the Theta Lodge in the morning to begin to prepare for the initiation ceremony. The atmosphere was one of anxiety for the pledges as well as anticipation and enthusiasm for the members. We could all empathize with the pledges, who were no doubt a little fearful and apprehensive of the uncertainty and mysticism which surrounded the approaching event.

After the ceremony, the new initiates went downstairs to a room filled with flowers, candy, kites and gifts which had been sent by their parents and big sisters. Each new initiate received a long-stem yellow rose from the chapter.

The initiation banquet that night was the climax to a long and exciting day. Alumnae and chapter members gathered together, mingled, and had dinner. The new initiates presented gifts to the pledge chairmen—two exquisite sterling silver goblets.

The evening ended with alumnae and chapter members singing Theta melodies, in the spirit of the occasion. At Alpha Phi, initiation exemplifies the meaning of Theta which our chapter holds so precious.

## **ALPHA TAU—Cincinnati**

### **Joke Tests Chapter Maturity**

No organization looks forward to a difficult time, but occasionally those times occur and some of the best organizations buckle under their inability to cope with a problem. The members of Alpha Tau were faced with such a situation, but with the strength and leadership of our president Pam Bell, and her successor Boo Keefe, we responded quickly and intelligently and grew closer as a chapter because of it.

Early in winter quarter we were the victims of a joke that grew out of hand when the fraternity men next door started an anti-Theta campaign which included harassing calls, damage to our house, and insulting comments made to our members and visiting traveling consultant. What had started as a long standing, all-in-fun rivalry grew into a mean, ugly argument which was causing fear within our chapter.

Our leadership wasted no time letting the men next door know of our displeasure. When efforts at diplomacy failed, a letter was sent to the Greek Advisor in the administration. Later, when events were still occurring, another letter was sent to their national headquarters. In the end the fraternity was put on probation and the Theta chapter was praised for their mature handling of the situation.

We discovered what it meant to be united to stop what we knew was wrong and to uphold our ideals of maturity and respectability. Today we look back on that difficult time and we are glad to have had the chance to show others our true colors and high standards. The Greek adviser, said we "set a precedent for the Greek women on this campus in our ability to stand together as an intelligent group of women, thereby making everyone realize we truly command the respect we deserve."

Carleen Kearns

## **ALPHA OMEGA—Pittsburgh**

### **Alpha Omega's Memorable Moment**

The year 1979-80 for Alpha Omega at the University of Pittsburgh was one of tremendous success and unforgettable memories. The year began as usual with a good rush. This year's rush exceeded anyone's expectations. Fall quota was set at 13. Pitt's Thetas ribboned 19 young women, the highest of all sororities on campus. Making all this possible was the leadership of rush chairman, Lori Good. The most important change in this year's rush was the addition of two new skits. One, entitled, "Summer Rushing," was based on the movie musical, "Grease." The second skit was "Carnival Time" in which a mime was performed to the old classic song, "Put On a Happy Face." Revamping of another party with a skit, "The Wonderful World of Theta," and the traditional "Starlight Party" set a good balance of fun and seriousness which drew the rushees to Theta. Alpha Omega recognized the special person who sparked the successful rush by naming chairman Lori Good, Outstanding Senior.



## **BETA DELTA—Arizona**

### **Diversity Respected at Beta Delta**

Rather than tell about an activity or individual which best exemplified the meaning of Theta during the past school year, Beta Delta chose to describe a philosophy or attitude within the chapter which describes "the meaning of Theta" to them.

Many people often think that the rituals and secrets of a fraternity are the only bonds which hold its members together. It is true that these things provide a basis for a common bond between us. However observation of 118 Thetas in the Arizona chapter has shown that love of Theta is much more than chapter secrets and spoken rituals. It is more than the secure feeling of belonging to a fantastic group of college women. It is simply being able to be the person you are. Each one of us is a different and individual tail on the kite. We each have our own interests and activities which best express our own needs. The diversity of Beta Delta seems to be the true test of the meaning of Theta. Respect for each individual personality must be honored to prevent problems. We all must be subservient to the needs of others and through respect, I believe we are really trying to accomplish this. It is nice to know that here at Beta Delta diversity and respect are two of the common bonds that hold us together. To Beta Delta, this is the meaning of Theta.

## **BETA EPSILON—Oregon State**

### **Pride Soars with Sing Win**

Many hours of hard work paid off during Oregon State's Mom's Weekend when the Thetas of Beta Epsilon and the men of Delta Tau Delta combined their talents in the IFC Sing competition. The Thetas and Delts took first place with an outstanding performance of several songs from "The Sound of Music."

Under the direction of Vicki Province with Jane Barnett at the piano, we were an unbeatable team. Original Austrian costumes, made by the participants created an authentic atmosphere.

We were glad our mothers were able to share the fun and excitement with us, especially at the moment of truth when the judges announced the winner! It was a thrilling evening. Our pride in Theta is growing stronger as we realize just how lucky we are to be sisters.

## **BETA ZETA—Oklahoma State**

### **Addition Under Construction No Setback to Rush**

In the Fall of 1979, Beta Zeta members faced a rush week they will never forget. The new addition to the house was not yet completed when we returned for work week.

Our alumnae, along with planners, helpful members and construction crews set out to expand the living quarters and redecorate the interior of our home. As the girls began arriving for work week, much of the new addition was still incomplete. During this time, there was not one moment when Theta Spirit faltered, even though we knew that there might be complications during the two weeks of rush.

Looking back and remembering running up the sidewalk that first day of work week last summer to greet Thetas returning from vacation, warm smiles and lively conversation could be heard everywhere as we hugged one another and glanced around us. Yet, the familiar surrounding somehow seemed unfamiliar. In the yard, a huge mound of dirt had replaced the front lawn.

As we stood staring at the great mass of earth, someone pointed to a neatly lettered sign which was stuck into the dirt pile. It read, "Ski Mt. Theta."

All at once laughter rang out. Here when rush was just around the corner stood a ridiculous mountain taking over our yard.

Once inside the house we realized all our lovely furniture had been stored away to be replaced by lumber, tools and sawdust. Workers were running down the halls passing us with amused glances.

The girls were speechless. The question remained, how could we possibly hope to entertain hundreds of girls in the house with less than one week to complete construction and decorate for party days. At once Beta Zetas started to work . . . dusting, gardening, decorating; even the lawn was plowed by seniors. Good-bye Mt. Theta. Construction crews worked feverishly alongside the Thetas. Still minus furniture, carpets and curtains, but not lacking confidence or pride, each one of us knew the essence of our house remained beautiful and unaltered.

At last, furniture was taken from storage, curtains went up and rugs covered the polished wooden floors.

Rush soon began and laughter and sisterhood filled the house. Everything was not yet complete, but the smiles on Theta faces reflected the excitement of the new addition and rush.

Bid day finally arrived. Beta Zeta pledged 45 terrific girls and the chapter house had a new wing.

Rush was quite different this year but the results were the same. Our home is now completely finished and it is truly a beautiful place. The true meaning of Theta shines through in the actions of the girls who live in the Theta house on the O.S.U. campus.

Lori Webster, editor



## **BETA MU—Nevada**

### **Moral Code Applied**

With bowed heads and lowered eyes, chapter members listen solemnly as the Chaplain recites the moral code. This is done the first Monday of every month. She is reading the chapter of the Bible dealing with the greatest virtue God bestows upon us: the gift of love. I Corinthians 13.

One cannot help but wonder how many people's thoughts are dwelling and meditating on these words of scripture. Surely many thoughts are about homework, boyfriends and what to wear the next day.

The end of the semester had begun to bear down on students. Not only were finals causing tension, but the pressure for jobs for the summer was growing.

Two Thetas were told of the same job and consequently were competing against each other. As one girl heard of a job for herself, she would in turn tell the other girls.

Each girl would inform the interviewer that another girl would be applying for the job. However, one job became a showdown for the two girls. The one who got the job kept her eyes open for the unemployed friend.

Within a week, both girls had jobs. Instead of competitive ambition, consideration for one another brought them together in true sisterhood. They were living I Corinthians 13:5 and 7. They were living the greatest of all the gifts: love. Susie Hatfield, editor

## **BETA XI—UCLA**

### **Special Firesides**

### **Reinforce Unity**

A sorority is indefinable in terms of the different meanings and relationships it brings to its members. We at UCLA have come to take Theta to mean three things; Growth, Caring, and a Home with all of its ups and downs. The symbol of this is an activity that we feel encompasses Theta—the Fireside.

The Fireside is a chapter activity, which tends to unite the chapter more than a party or Monday night meeting. Although seldom mandatory, the girls go out of their way to attend. Beta Xis have a Fireside at least once a quarter, sitting Indian-style in a circle on the living room floor.

Throughout the quarter suggestions, comments, frustrations are written down and placed in a box. Here at the Fireside, each girl picks out a note from the box at random and reads it. Girls also consider the Firesides to be times when each member may voice her feelings freely, never to be judged or criticized. It is here where problems are realized and resolved.

With a chapter as large as ours, this open communication is vital to the survival of the group-like atmosphere, friendly warmth and personal attention traditionally given to all members by their sisters. These ideals become increasingly difficult to achieve when 150 girls interact.

Constructive criticism, shared by all, takes the girls

## **BETA OMICRON—Iowa**

### **Leadership, Accomplishment**

### **Bring Proud Moments**

The University of Iowa Thetas are known throughout the campus and community for outstanding leadership, not only as a chapter, but as individuals. Beta Omicron's year is an example of outstanding scholastic achievement as well as involvement in activities.

Thetas at Iowa are proud to be out front academically. Almost one third of the chapter placed on the Dean's List and members were pledged to Phi Eta Sigma, Mortar Board, Phi Upsilon Omicron and Phi Beta Kappa. President Sue Byers is the recipient of the Rockford Panhellenic Council Scholarship, leading the chapter in honors. Julie Chezli is a finalist for a Founders Memorial Scholarship.

Achievements don't stop with grades. This year we joined the TKEs in building a homecoming float which took first prize. The chapter also ranked first in many sports events, such as intramural swimming and track and a softball tournament sponsored by the Betas for all sororities. Also with the Betas we danced for forty hours in the Muscular Dystrophy Dance Marathon and collected more pledges than any other group. We also won the Greek Follies, a variety show with PKE fraternity.

The women of Beta Omicron are proud of these honors, high achievements and successful challenges.

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a moment away from the busy schedules of their college lives, and stops time. All of a sudden everyone begins to realize how much these other people mean to them, and their happiness and hurts are ultimately more important than that last History midterm. After each girl speaks, a Theta song is shared and a silence follows. The speaking out takes a few minutes for everyone to accept and take in. This is not always easy, for we have found that the concerns relieved after Fireside are replaced with other responsibilities. We feel without the Firesides the chapter would lose part of its closeness.

Firesides are very positive events. They make lasting impressions because it is a time when the bonds of sisterhood can be seen and felt. They are especially a time when appreciation and caring can be expressed openly without hesitation. This is what Theta is all about.

Barbara J. Frova, editor



**BETA RHO—Duke**  
**Thetas Overcome Problem**  
**of Scattered Housing**

For Thetas at Duke, the sentiment has often been expressed that we are missing a vital part of fraternal life. Sororities at Duke suffer from a kind of discrimination. Fraternities have sections on campus, but sororities have neither sections nor suites for meeting places. With the new Panhellenic House on campus the sororities finally have a place they can reserve for special events and ceremonies, but weekly meetings are still held wherever an open classroom or auditorium can be found.

Lack of housing often creates communication problems and fosters a lack of unity, a somewhat dulled sense of sisterhood. We realize the disadvantages and we've found some ways of alleviating them: a strong big sister-little sister program with their get togethers for lunch, dinner and study breaks; a special table in the dining hall where they get together to eat and meet. Come spring time we spend Friday afternoons in the Duke gardens.

There are advantages of having our members dispersed all over campus. Some of us are roommates or hallmates in the dorms, or neighbors in University apartments. At the same time we are not cut off from friends in other sororities or independents.

Perhaps Duke Thetas have lost a little unity because of their housing arrangement, but what they've lost in fraternal living we've made up for in spirit and diversity, for Thetas are found in all aspects of Duke life and in the Durham community. Anne Marie Collins

**BETA TAU—Denison**  
**Improvement, an Incentive**

Increased emphasis on scholarship and leadership have played a big part in the Beta Tau chapter over the past few years. We have found it important to combine involvement with scholastic excellence.

Miss Lucille Hutson of Sandusky, Ohio, who was initiated into Beta Tau chapter in 1929, remembered Beta Tau generously in her will. With the help of our house corporation we have established a \$1,000.00 Lucille Hutson Scholarship Award. The tuition award is presented to the junior with the greatest improvement in scholarship and chapter activities.

The first recipient was Caroline Gaudin. Caroline was co-rush chairman in 1979 and is now serving as vice-president, pledge education. Her scholastic improvement, combined with chapter involvement, exemplify the meaning of the award. The chapter is proud of its first winner of the Lucille Hutson Scholarship.



*Beta Phi, Penn State chapter members pose with trophies won during the past year.*

**BETA PHI—Pennsylvania State**  
**Competition Spurs Philanthropy**

Last spring Beta Phi Thetas worked hard and won many of the philanthropic activities in which they participated. In the Phi Psi 500, Thetas raised \$1,700 and captured the first place enthusiasm award. Coming in with a winning time they also took first place in the Acacia Road Rally. During Penn State's Spring Week, the team of Theta and Acacia won 2nd place in both categories of Skit and Greek Chariot Race competition.

**GAMMA THETA—Carnegie Mellon**  
**Pride of Accomplishment**

Every year, Gamma Thetas at Carnegie-Mellon University prepare diligently for their performance at Greek Sing. This past year, the many hours of hard work contained a special significance for every Theta.

Under the direction of Nancy Redard, a recent graduate in voice, 44 out of 55 chapter members sang and danced their way through a classy rendition of selections from *Mame*. While we at Gamma Theta were learning notes, dance steps and breathing exercises, Greek Sing also taught us sportsmanship, cooperation, and team spirit. It is incredible what 44 girls can do when their hearts are in their work! The pride of accomplishment is intensified when experienced by the entire chapter.

With a sorority composed of 55 very individual girls, group unity and fellowship is often difficult. Even though Theta placed second in the competition, a much stronger victory and pride in Theta and Gamma Theta touched each sister's heart.



## **GAMMA PI—Iowa State**

### **Involved Chapter at Iowa State**

The largest student-run festival in the nation, Veishea, takes place every spring at Iowa State University. This year Mary Carr, Gamma Pi Theta headed the festival organization.

Mary's outstanding work on Veishea and other campus activities has reflected favorably on the chapter. We are known as "an involved house." Mary was also 1979 Homecoming Hostess.

Iowa State hosted 200,000 people for the gala Veishea. The festival began in 1922 and it is an acronym for the first five colleges of ISU—Veterinary Medicine, Engineering, Industrial Science, Home Economics, and Agriculture, signifying unity. Major attractions of Veishea include a parade, open house displays, and Starts Over Veishea, the musical production. This year, five Thetas were on subcommittees and two were in the musical production, "Sweet Charity."

The whole chapter gets involved by getting together with a fraternity and creating a float for the Saturday morning parade. The Betas and Thetas built a float in the theme of Hansel and Grettel.

Veishea has a three-fold purpose: to educate, to entertain, and to be used as Iowa State's public relations resource.

## **DELTA EPSILON—Arizona State**

### **Pride in an Outstanding Member**

Arizona State University Thetas proudly recognize one of their graduating seniors, Lisa Sanservino.

The former chapter president was the 1979 winner of the Foundation scholarship awarded in the name of Alice Allen Brant, one of the four founders of Kappa Alpha Theta.

At Arizona State, Lisa has been prominent on the campus and in the Greek system. Last year she was co-chairman of Greek Week Steering Committee. During this special week she was chosen as the Outstanding Greek Woman of the Year.

This outstanding Theta and very special person has been a great asset to Delta Epsilon in helping to build chapter strength and leadership. Carol Black, editor

## **DELTA NU—Arkansas**

### **Decade of Champions**

Whether on the Intramural fields in the fall, or the tennis courts in the spring, a group of Delta Nu Thetas are sure to be found ready for competition.

This past year Delta Nus at the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville were named the University Decade Intramural Women Champions.

We feel our success in this area is due to a wide variety of participation and strong support from the



*Whitman Thetas munching on products of their bake-off.*

## **DELTA DELTA—Whitman**

### **Hanna Fitch Shaw Bake-Off**

Last winter Delta Delta chapter held its second annual "Hannah Fitch Shaw Bake-off." In order to promote faculty-sorority relations, Theta invites professors, their wives and children to judge the bake-off. For this event the professors beg to be judges and ask about it during the year.

President Anna Bowling began the program by introducing the professors and explaining rules for judging. The desserts were in two categories—appearance and taste. While we all watched with our mouths watering, the professors pondered the winners of the bake-off. Page Gehrke won the appearance category for her "Red Velvet" cake and the winners of the taste category were Ann Berner and Ginny Bacon for their English Toffee.

As soon as the winners were announced we all got down to the business of judging the desserts for ourselves.

At a small school such as Whitman, it is important to maintain a harmonious rapport between Greeks and faculty. Thetas enjoy these opportunities for broadening their contacts on campus.

Theta rooting sections. Delta Nu feels every girl has something to offer whether it be her pitching arm, backstroke or loud cheering voice.

The trophy for this honor will be added to our trophy case, a proud remembrance of the 1979-80 year.



### **DELTA OMICRON—Alabama** **High Rating at 'Bama**

The University of Alabama Thetas are very proud and all smiles after receiving the first "Pat-on-the Back" award.

Panhellenic decided to have each sorority on campus vote on the sorority they felt most exemplified the true meaning of sisterhood, and showed unity and loyalty in all areas of campus participation.

When the votes were counted, Theta was on top. Proud? . . . to say the least.

### **DELTA TAU—Montana State** **Skiing for Philanthropy**

The Delta Tau Thetas are especially proud of their annual Ski-A-Thon service project. This unique idea was dreamed up and put into action for the first time two years ago.

Last winter the project raised over \$2,300 for the Montana Easter Seal Society. The Ski-A-Thon was held in February at the Bridger Bowl Ski Resort. It was a beautiful sunny day and 28 skiers, ranging in age from 11 to 55, competed to raise the funds.

Carolyn Walsh, Theta service chairman worked with the Easter Seals' representative from Billings. Together they turned what started out to be a small-time trial endeavor into a community-wide project. Lambda Chi Alpha joined the Thetas in preparations for the big day on the slopes.

The Bozeman community also played a major role in the success of this fund-raiser, supporting the skiers with generous pledges.

Delta Tau was proud that we were able to plan and carry out a fund-raising idea of this magnitude.

Nancy Lombardi, editor

### **DELTA PHI—Clemson** **Dixie Week Scoop**

This past year, Delta Phi was extremely proud of the chapter for winning three of the five trophies awarded Dixie Week. All year the six sororities at Clemson work hard to win these trophies. Delta Phi won the scholarship trophy for the highest academic average. The prized sportsmanship trophy was also won by our chapter for the third consecutive year. To top it off Delta Phi took first place in the Sorority Sing competition, with a program from "My Fair Lady." Our chapter is proud of every member for working together and winning the coveted awards.

### **EPSILON ZETA—Mississippi** **Youngest Chapter at Ole Miss** **Earns Respect**

Not yet two years old and a newcomer to a long established Greek system, Epsilon Zeta nevertheless has a well deserved good reputation among its Greek peers. Still lacking a house of their own last fall and therefore having no place to build a homecoming float, the members divided up and went to the other houses and helped with the floats. This was a new approach to a contest which had heretofore been marked by intense competition.

Later in the year, the pledge class had a Goodwill Party and contributed four boxes of clothes and over one hundred dollars. The chapter's help with the campus blood drive was recognized by a poster saying "Thank You."

Epsilon Zeta is off to a great start with the entire campus behind us. We are proud of our great beginning.

Ann True, editor

### **EPSILON ETA—Centre College** **New Colony of Proud Pledges**

When it is installed in October, Epsilon Eta will be the newest chapter in Kappa Alpha Theta.

At the time of colonization in March, many of us were strangers, even on a small campus. With the assistance of Dale Bounds, resident counselor we have become a unified group, learning to know each other in an important way. We have learned to recognize each other's interests, talents and capabilities.

We have learned much about sisterhood in the past three months and are looking forward to being initiated into Kappa Alpha Theta. We are forming a strong base for future generations of Epsilon Eta and we are proud to be well-prepared to become a full-fledged chapter.

Missy Meadows, editor

### **MU—Allegheny** **Alumnæ Provide Memorable Experiences**

Through the years Mu chapter has maintained ties with the Meadville Theta Alumnæ Club. This relationship has brought many fond memories and many happy times. Homes of alumnæ have been open to chapter members, and celebrations held with alumnæ form the background of some of Mu's most memorable experiences.

This year Mu members were involved in an important event in one alumna's life. When Eleanor Bates, alumnæ president, celebrated her 50th wedding anniversary, college Thetas called on Mr. and Mrs. Bates, bringing flowers and serenading the celebrating couple with Theta songs. Alumnæ play an important role at Allegheny and experiences such as this have helped strengthen ties and appreciation of "Theta for a Lifetime."



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## BETA TAU'S HISTORIC LODGE

The 171 year old midwestern colonial cottage has been Beta Tau's lodge since 1929.



A glimpse of the small sitting room conveys the colonial atmosphere.

How many chapters of Kappa Alpha Theta live in the oldest house in town? Only one, Beta Tau at Denison, Granville, Ohio. The historic cottage that is Beta Tau's lodge was built in 1809. Kappa Alpha Theta did not have a chapter at Denison until 1929, and the local sorority Chi Psi Delta which became Kappa Alpha Theta transferred the property to the fraternity at the time of installation.

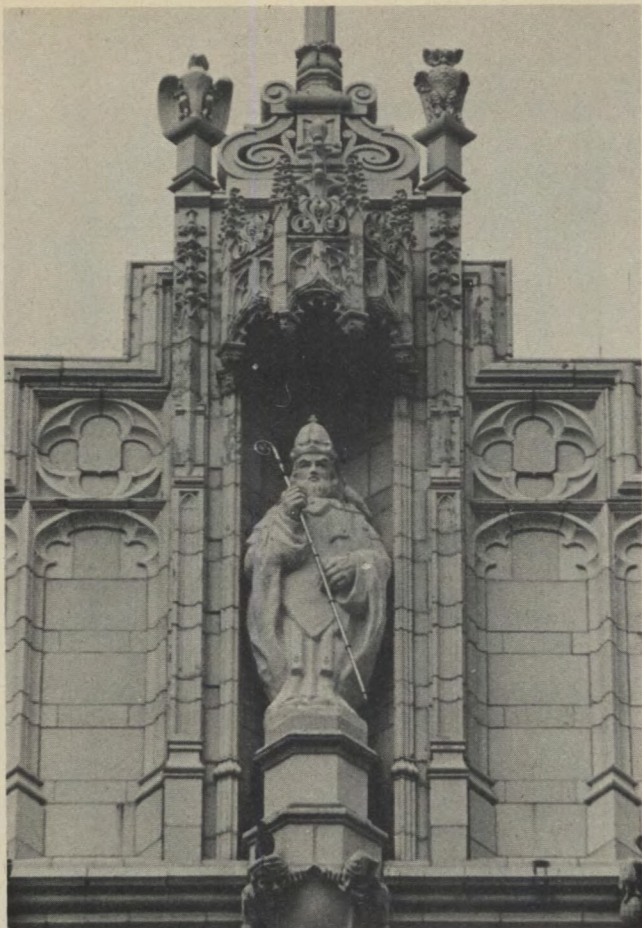
Property records show that the small house was used as the lodge for the Center Star Masonic Lodge from 1811-1911. When Chi Psi Delta sorority bought the house for \$1,200 in 1905, each member gave \$25 to help finance the purchase. The property boasts a well in the side yard of the house, which was the original water source for all of Granville, in use for more than 100 years. In 1964 the well was restored with the help of Juliette Spencer Blackburn and the Granville Historical Society.

The local, Chi Psi Delta was founded in 1900 and had its eye on Kappa Alpha Theta for a quarter of a century. The group had first petitioned Kappa Alpha Theta in 1901, but it wasn't until 1928 that Denison lifted its ban on national sororities.

In 1924 the cottage underwent substantial renovations, with the Chi Psi Deltas adding a large living room to the original kitchen, housemother's quarters, a small living room and an upstairs. In 1958 Beta Tau enlarged the house with an addition that included a recreation area and powder room.

The Beta Tau lodge is recognized as an outstanding example of Midwest Colonial architecture. One model of the cottage is on display at the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C., and the other is in the Paris Museum.





*St. Gregory the Great, created by Shirley Bowers*

Century Communications, Inc., Skokie, IL has announced the appointment of **Patricia Wilde**, Beta Pi, as Managing Editor for *Agri Marketing* and *Agri Educator*. She graduated from Michigan State in 1979 where she was named one of the Top 25 Outstanding Seniors in 1979.

Newcomb College graduate **Donna Chambers Monroe** has been promoted to assistant vice-president—public relations of Southwestern General Life Insurance Co., Dallas. An Alpha Phi Theta, she was selected as one of 1978's Outstanding Young Women of America. She became Southwestern's first woman officer in 1977.

**Sharon Sutton Miller**, Gamma Upsilon chapter, Miami University is serving a three year term on the National Council of Mortar Board, Inc., as Director of Elections.



*Shirlee Haddoch Bowers, Alpha Omicron sculptress*

## Shirlee Bowers Finished the Job

People with unusual gifts and talents very often fill an important niche in their special sphere. As head of the Art Department at St. Gregory's Jr. College in Shawnee, Oklahoma, Shirlee Haddoch Bowers, Alpha Omicron, has aptly filled a niche at the College which had been awaiting attention for 61 years.

When the Administration building was erected at St. Gregory's College in 1915, a niche over the entrance and 100 feet above the ground was left unfilled. It wasn't until 1976 that a statue to fill the niche was commissioned. The college did not have to look beyond its own art department where sculptress Shirlee Bowers executed a statue of St. Gregory the Great, cast in castone. To fill the niche she created a statue of St. Gregory weighing three thousand pounds and measuring seven feet, one inch tall. The work was first done in clay and then cast in castone. Two copies were cast; one is in Notre Dame and the other in the Gerrermaybee Art Museum at St. Gregory's. Castone is basically powdered gypsum which is fired to a very high temperature so that it will set up when cast in a piece mold. It is comparable to the hardness of granite. To this work, marble chips were added to give it a snow white glistening effect.

In addition to religious figures, Shirlee Bowers' works consist of portraits of people, children, "Mother and Child" compositions, and Bas Relief portraits. She accepts assignments on a commission basis and is internationally recognized for her talent and expertise.





Adelaide Nation Cooley, Psi, Wisconsin

## She Makes Art Important in Her Community

By Joan Trenchard French, Tau; and  
Dorothy Reed Fraser, Alpha Mu

A beautiful woman with shining blond hair, a gracious manner and a doll-like voice, has done more than probably any other individual to make Peorians aware that art is an integral part of each person's everyday life.

Adelaide Nation Cooley, Psi, Wisconsin has been described as charming, vivacious, independent, energetic, enthusiastic as well as manipulating, uncompromising, singleminded and hostile. She has in fact been all of these. She has stood for honesty, excellence and a dedicated belief that art matters to people and to our civilization.

Adelaide Cooley is first an artist, but also a collector, art lecturer, and author. Talent in pencil sketching picked up as a child came in handy during World War II. When her husband Bill was away and could not see the growth and antics of their three small children, it was Adelaide's sketches that helped him keep up with their development. It was Bill who recognized her talent and determined that she should study art. This she did at two different Army posts. Back in Peoria after the war, Adelaide began her years of concentrated study at Bradley University, private instruction, and extensive personal reading in the area of art. In the 20 years that followed, she and Bill traveled to Europe, The Middle East, Mexico, The Orient and South America, visiting museums, galleries, and archaeological sites, all a part of looking and learning.

Adelaide attended Stephens College in Missouri two years, majoring in creative writing. She transferred to the University of Wisconsin where she became a Theta,



*Tulip Corner*, 1978 oil by Adelaide Cooley

and changed her major to Home Economics. Those were depression years and one needed a college degree that would secure a paying job.

In Peoria, while Bill was busy with his medical practice and Adelaide was busy with their children, her art classes, and participating in more than 50 invitational art exhibitions and 11 one-woman shows, together they assembled what is known as "The Cooley Collection." It includes many names of internationally known artists as well as local and regional favorites of the Cooleys. The collection reflects their interests in variety of style, medium and expression.

Adelaide Cooley has lectured widely, served on numerous art committees, juried art exhibitions, served as art consultant, and authored four art publications. She won the *Outstanding Woman in Art Award* in 1973, followed by the *Leadership in Art Award* in 1978. She is listed in *Who's Who in American Art*, *The World Who's Who of Women*, and *Who's Who in the Midwest*. Her works are found in public and private collections and she has been featured in articles by Chicago and regional newspapers.

A recent retrospective exhibition at the Peoria Art Guild showed the immense diversity of her work. "I like to try new materials in art, just as I like to try new recipes in the kitchen," she explained. All of her work has some common characteristics—bright, bold, colorful, graceful, buoyant. The retrospective exhibition was a glorious testimony to her success in achieving her own criteria to fill space or design an object in a beautiful way.

By "just doing what she enjoyed," a distinguished personal career has evolved and a community has been enriched by her activity.





*Joyce Johnson Hansell, a Washington State Mother of the Year and her Theta daughters, Katherine Hansell Hendrix, and Alison Hansell.*



*Marge Rounds Muir current choice for Mother of the Year at Washington State*

## Alpha Sigma Thetas Make Good "Moms"

What do Alpha Sigma Thetas Ruth Muir, Alison Hansell and Kathy Schaaf have in common? Besides being juniors and leaders in the Theta chapter at Washington State University, they each have a Theta mother who has been named W.S.U. "Mother of the Year." These "moms" are special to the Thetas at Pullman, but they are also special to all students during the year they were chosen.

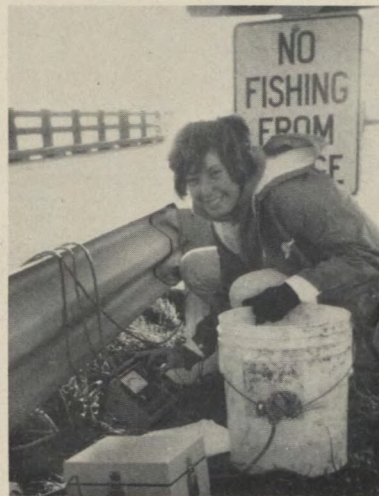
Marge Rounds Muir was the 1980 Mother of the Year. Beth Brackett Schaaf received the accolade in 1979 and in 1968 Joyce Johnson Hansell was the honored mother at Washington State.

Traditionally during Mothers' Weekend festivities, outstanding women are recognized for their contributions to the community and W.S.U. The candidates are recommended by the daughter's or son's living group and selected by a faculty committee.

Marge Muir, the 1980 Mother of the Year is known in Pullman, WA for her work with young people of all ages . . . Camp Fire, church school, youth camps; and she is well-loved at Alpha Sigma for wearing many hats for many years . . . chapter financial adviser, corporation board member, rush adviser, pledge adviser and confidante. She is also a member of W.S.U.'s Home Economics Growth Committee.

Beth Schaaf, 1979 Mother of the Year is the mother of eleven children. Three have attended W.S.U. In Bothell, WA, many youth recreation and athletic programs have benefited from her energies and direction.

Joyce Hansell, who earned the honor in 1968 is on the W.S.U.'s President's Committee for Foundations. She has been involved in all the activities common to a small farming community like Athena, OR, her home. Thetas at Washington State, nearby Whitman and Oregon State have all benefited from her active support.



*Kim Wagoner taking a reading on force of tidal flow.*

## New Tradition at Penn State

In the academic program of Penn State there is a certain tradition for Beta Phi Thetas. It's called the Wallops Program, an off campus study program in marine science. Each spring selected students "invade" Wallops Island, Virginia, to do individual research and get practical experience during the 10 weeks, twelve credit course.

Each year of the program, a Theta has qualified. This year Kim Wagoner, a major in Civil Engineering was chosen. Admission to the program is competitive—only 50 Penn State students are admitted.

Before the actual research projects are begun students have a week of lectures and field trips pertaining to the Barrier Islands Supersystem of this section of the Atlantic coast, the Delmarva Peninsula.

Kim Wagoner and her three partners undertook research to disprove or confirm earlier findings concerning dissolved oxygen levels in Chincoteague Bay.

Kim loved the outdoor classroom experience of Wallops Island and is busy interesting another member of Beta Phi to carry on the chapter tradition.





*Mary Ramage, Alpha Lambda president receiving plaque from Dr. William Gerberding, University of Washington president.*

## Greek Phonathon Winners

Members of the Alpha Lambda chapter, along with members of Phi Gamma Delta, came in first place in the 1980 *Greek Phonathon* at the University of Washington. The annual campaign is set up as a competition between sororities and fraternities to raise funds for the University's Annual Giving Campaign. Pictured is Mary Ramage, President of Alpha Lambda, receiving the first place plaque from Dr. William P. Gerberding, President of the University of Washington.

## Theta Headliners

Mary R. Roberts, Alpha has been elected to a four-year term on the Board of Trustees of DePauw University.

Judith Cotton Runnels is Kansas governor John Carlin's liaison representative in the Kansas State Senate. A member of Kappa chapter, Judith Runnels is the first woman to fill such a position in the state. She was formerly head nurse at the University of Kansas Medical Center and a lobbyist for the nurses' association.

Among five alumni to receive Distinguished Service Citations at Kansas University at commencement exercises last spring was Camilla Luther Cave, Kappa chapter, Dodge City, civic leader who has spent much of her life promoting the arts.

Martha Mangelsdorf, Kappa, journalist, shared honors with a partner, taking first place in the 1979 national AAAS-Westinghouse Science Writing Awards for the article about Kansas' dwindling water supplies, "We're Running Out."



*Gail Riggs, Beta Delta, Arizona*

## Theta Heads Health Care Professionals

Gail Riggs, M.A., a member of Beta Delta at the University of Arizona has been elected president of the 1300-member Arthritis Health Professions section of the Arthritis Foundation.

Gail Riggs has a long record of service in various facets of arthritis education and care. In 1978 she was a delegate to the national White House Conference on the Handicapped. She brings special insight to her professional role as a health care provider in this field because she has had rheumatoid arthritis for 34 years. She is now in a doctoral program in rehabilitation and health care administration at the University of Arizona. She recently authored the "Arthritis Care Plan" for the Health Systems Agency of Southeastern Arizona. She and her husband live in Tucson.





*Daphne Downing Tuma, Rho and Betty Malcolm Tucker, Alpha Lambda received 50 year pins at the Thunderbird.*

## 50 Year Thetas Recognized at Panhellenic Luncheon

Its time for Golden Year Thetas to step forward and receive their pins, a gift from the fraternity to all Thetas who have reached that important milestone . . . 50 years in Kappa Alpha Theta. Most 50 year Thetas will be receiving their pins at Founders' Days all over the country. Those who can't attend will be mailed their tiny black and gold pansy pins.

Last year two Thetas living in the Rancho Mirage area in California where there is no organized Theta alumnae group were presented their pins at a Panhellenic luncheon at the Clubhouse at Thunderbird Country Club, which has seen most of the world's celebrities. Daphne Downing Tuma, Rho, Nebraska and Betty Malcolm Tucker, Alpha Lambda, Washington were "pinned" by Helen Templeton Cadwell, also Alpha Lambda. Twenty-three Thetas who live in the desert community were on hand to honor their two sisters among the Panhellenic representatives gathered at the luncheon.

Both Daphne and Betty have been active Thetas wherever they have lived. Daphne belonged to the Pasadena Alumnae Chapter. Betty was an active Theta in Cleveland. Both women are proud of their Theta daughters. Jane Tuma is a member of Omicron, U.S.C. and now an executive with Saks in New York, while Suzanne Tucker Fisher, Gamma deuteron, Ohio Wesleyan, now makes her home with her husband on a houseboat in Portland. Betty Tucker says, "I could write a book about what Theta has meant to me!"



*Thetas Ann Fellerhoff, I., and Hilary Vadner with their boss, Congressman Guy Vander Jagt, Chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee.*

Picture by Susan Meeker

## Candidates Count on Them

Did you ever wonder where all those candidates for office acquire all the information needed to convey that aura of a walking encyclopedia of current events? Having just been through one of the most intense political "seasons" of all time, the image of knowledgeable, accurately and up-to-the-minute informed candidates is still fresh in our minds.

Two young Thetas have been a part of that behind-the-scenes preparation which they hope helped to produce successful candidates for Congressional office.

Ann Fellerhoff, a 1979 graduate of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio and member of Gamma Upsilon, and Hilary Vadner, Alpha, DePauw were research assistants for the National Republican Congressional Committee, this past year. Their work involves assisting candidates who seek election to the House of Representatives by providing research for their campaigns. This entails analyzing legislation, preparing key vote studies, and answering the many and varied questions asked by candidates regarding the operations of Congress.

The new theatre, part of the recently completed Theatre and Interpretation Center at Northwestern University will be named the Josephine Louis Theatre in honor of Josephine Peters Louis, Tau, Northwestern, a 1952 graduate of the School of Speech. The theatre is a gift of her husband, John J. Louis, Jr.

Theatre department chairman, Leslie Hinderyckx said the theatre's classic dimensions are acoustically perfect. The shape of the 350-seat auditorium offers "absolutely unparalleled sight lines."





*Camilla Corrigan clipping the hair of Bucky Beal while his wife Betty watches.*

## Delta Omicron "Adopts" Elderly Couple

University of Alabama Thetas are actively involved in campus activities and have extended that involvement into the Tuscaloosa community.

This year Thetas served the community in two ways.

During the school year they "adopted" an elderly couple and visited with them, as well as taking care of some of their errands.

Bucky and Betty Beal, a retired couple, are visited weekly by two Delta Omicron Thetas. The girls visit with them, do their weekly grocery shopping for them, and are often asked to perform other tasks that they are unable to do.

In another activity to benefit the community, Delta Omicron combined with Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Mu and Kappa Alpha to raise money for the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation.

The two sororities and fraternities sponsored a party at the fairgrounds and featured the band, *Janus*. The dance earned \$990.50 and the check was presented to Ann Betrak, executive director of the University Chapter of the March of Dimes.



*Carleen Kearns, Alpha Tau*

## Cincinnati Student Leader

At a school of 38,000, being elected Student Body Vice-President is not only a high honor, but a huge challenge. Accepting this challenge is Alpha Tau's Carleen Kearns. Through her extensive involvement in the University of Cincinnati's student government, including being the Secretary of Academic Affairs last year, Carleen gained the respect and confidence of her peers, receiving 75% of the total votes at elections. She has the support and admiration of students and administration in a male dominated student activity.

Carleen's efforts not only aid the school, but also give her valuable experience towards her career. She is a Political Science and English major. Alpha Taus are looking forward to next spring, when they will back Carleen for Student Body President!

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Carol Land McCarthy, Alpha Chi Purdue is the grand prize winner of Trans World Airlines' "Win the World" sweepstakes. She beat the three million to one odds to win one free trip a year anywhere on TWA's domestic or international system for herself and a guest for life.

A resident of Anderson City, IN, Carol picked up her winning entry card on a flight to Florida. Her husband, Jim, also a Purdue graduate and member of Delta Tau Delta will be her first "guest."



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# CAMPUS SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

Prepared by the Operation Brass Tacks Committee  
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**BUDGETS FOR WOMEN'S ATHLETICS** have increased as a result of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 which bars sex bias in federally assisted activities. But leaders of women's athletics charge that male coaches and athletic directors are taking over the women's programs, down-grading the influence and authority of women coaches.

**MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY** will receive \$8 million over the next ten years to develop non-polluting ways to burn coal. Exxon is financing the study, looking for ways to clean the fuel before it's burned or as it's burned.

**THE AVERAGE STUDENT** spends \$83 per term on 7.5 textbooks, according to a study sponsored by publishers and college book stores associations.

**SIGMA CHI** at the University of Virginia raised money by selling posters describing (and satirizing) preppies. This was so successful they added other posters such as "I hate disco" and "Are you radioactive?"

**TESTS GIVEN** to incoming freshmen at the University of Minnesota in 1928 and identical tests given in 1978 showed clearly that in defining words, in reading speed, and in comprehension the 1978 students scored significantly lower in each category.

**COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES**, since January 1, 1978, have been required to pay royalties for most non-instructional uses of copyrighted music. Colleges have to negotiate contracts with Broadcast Music Inc. (BMI), American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP), and SESAC, a European society. Fees are based on enrollment or a per student charge plus an additional fee for each use of the music. (Reported by the *Chronicle of Higher Education*.)

**TWENTIETH CENTURY-FOX** has donated to the University of South Carolina an estimated 60 million feet of newsreels made between 1919 and 1963.

**THE NUMBER OF COLLEGES** offering a co-op program—one in which the student alternates weeks of study with weeks of full time work—has grown from just 50 schools 15 years ago to over 970 this year. At Northeastern University (Boston) the average co-op student earns \$11,000 during undergraduate years.

**AT BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY** a Cross-Generational Project House has provided a forum for interaction between students and older residents of the Lewisburg, Pa. area. Luncheons are held every Sunday in addition to other informal gatherings and entertainment. Partially supported by Federal funds at first, the project house is now run by student government.

**HAVERFORD COLLEGE'S** baseball team sold "rescue kits" containing a variety of snack foods to help students during exam week. Sold to parents, the kits raised \$1,600 to help defray the cost of spring training for the team in Florida.

**ASPIRING COMICS** at the University of Missouri have the chance to test their style and material before fellow students in the annual Best Comic contest. This year's winner then performed with comedian Martin Mull at the second annual Mizzou Comedy Festival, held on campus. (*On-Campus Report*)

**TO ILLUSTRATE** the hardship of high heating fuel costs on the elderly, the University of Nebraska Kappa Sigma chapter went without heat for a week. Hot water was left on to avoid bursting pipes, but temperatures ranged from 37 degrees to a high of 52. During the week all members were required to live in the house and participate in a fund-raising drive. Nearly \$1,000 was collected with a community agency using the funds for no-interest loans to elderly persons having trouble paying their fuel bills. (*On-Campus Report*)

**ROCK 'N' ROLL** tops the popularity charts on the campus entertainment market. But the demand for comedy and so-called novelty acts—jugglers, magicians, hypnotists, and mimes—is escalating at a rapid rate. (*Chronicle of Higher Education*)

**STUDENTS AND EMPLOYEES** who use car-pools to the Mays Landing (N.J.) campus of Atlantic Community College receive gift certificates at least ten times a month for a free lunch at McDonald's. Everyone who signs up for a car-pool receives a large order of French fries. The restaurant and the college are co-operating in the "great car-pool caper" to help people save money and energy. (*Chronicle of Higher Education*)

**THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI** gave tuition rebates earlier and then offered rebates to students with cumulative gpa's between 3.8 and a perfect 4.0. The one-time awards ranged from \$100 to \$1,000 depending on the amount of financial aid the student was already receiving.



# CAMPUS SIGHTS AND SOUNDS

THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON'S Library is establishing a Mount St. Helen's collection as a centralized location for materials on the volcano's eruptions since March 1980. (*Chronicle of Higher Education*)

USED CRANKCASE OIL was mixed with No. 6 oil for heating last winter at the University of Rhode Island. Skidmore College (N.Y.) plans to burn 100% used crankcase oil this winter, much of it donated by service station operators who receive receipts for tax-deductible charitable donations.

A TUCK-IN SERVICE at the University of Maryland and Penn State for 25¢ or 50¢ may include a group singing "Rock-a-bye Baby" or a bedtime story, tucking in the covers, and a kiss on the cheek. Not exactly mother, but it's friendly.

TO SAVE ENERGY—and an estimated \$50,000—the University of the Pacific adopted new summer work hours of 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Air conditioners were turned off at 12:30 p.m. but it was claimed that offices, etc., stayed cool enough until closing time.

BY THE END of the '80s one-fourth of the U.S. population will be Spanish-speaking says the president of Georgetown University. (UPI)

AN ASSISTANT PROFESSOR of phys. ed. and the soccer goalie from Houghton College (N.Y.) sets out from Pittsburgh to row a 17 ft. Adirondack guideboat 980 miles on the Ohio River to Old Shawneetown, Ill. Alumni who were varsity athletes pledged funds, based on the boat trip, for the college's phys. ed. center.

THE PRESIDENT of the Rhode Island School of Design described the qualities needed for a college president: the aloofness of a cat; the cunning of a fox; the eye of an eagle; the hide of an elephant; the slipperiness

of an eel; the courage of a lion; the stubbornness of a mule; the tenaciousness of a terrier; and the wisdom of an owl. To this he added: a heart of gold; nerves of steel; and a stomach of iron. (*Chronicle*)

PRE-RETIREMENT SEMINARS are being held for faculty and staff members at a number of colleges. Among those conducting 8 week programs are Vermont, Oklahoma, and Southern Mississippi.

A FILM, made by a group at Adelphi University (N.Y.), shows the problems of deaf children and their parents and how to overcome the problems. It has been accepted by the People's Republic of China Medical Association for showing at all Chinese schools for the deaf.

A STUDY last year by the Citibank of N.Y. found that almost a third of American families with a son or daughter in college had to borrow money to pay for tuition, a percentage that is on the rise. (*U.S. News & World Report*)

KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA and Kappa Sigma at Southern Methodist collected over 35,000 aluminum cans in their 3rd annual drive. Proceeds went toward beautification of the campus. Prizes were awarded to groups which collected the largest numbers of cans. Lambda Chi Alpha won with over 12,000 cans contributed.

THE FIRST WOMEN'S college in the United States was the Troy (N.Y.) Female Seminary, founded in 1821 by Emma Willard. (UPI)

THE IFC at the University of Tennessee, in order to promote good relations with the campus, eats weekly with a Dean, faculty member, and/or campus leader. This has proven to be a very effective means of improving communications and understanding among these different areas. (Phi Gamma Delta)

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# Theta Book Nook

**SINGING WHEELS** by Cornelia Andrews DuBois, Upsilon, Vanilla Press, Minneapolis 1980.

Cornelia Andrews DuBois of Mankato, MN is a direct descendant of one of the most colorful pioneer families in the Midwest, The Andrews Family, Swiss Bell Ringers. This year Cornelia DuBois of Upsilon chapter became a fifty year Theta, and also published her first book.

Her novel, *Singing Wheels* which is based on the adventures of the six children in the Andrews family, sons and daughters of the Rev. John R. Andrews and Delilah Andrews, covers a period of the late 1800's when the singing and bell-ringing troupe crossed the Midwest on the muddy, bumpy roads of the Dakotas, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska and the Indian territories. The entertainers traveled in a red bandwagon pulled by six plumed gray horses, prancing to the lively band music of cornets and a snare drum, as they entered a town. Painted on the side of the wagon was a name, "Andrews Family Swiss Bell Ringers."

The fact of the singing and bell-ringing as a troupe of pioneer entertainers is part of Minnesota history, and Andrews house, home of Cornelia's great grandfather in St. Peters, MN, the town that launched the young singers on their way to musical acclaim, has been designated a National Historic Site.

The story, *Singing Wheels* is based on the escapades of the group. The plot is about the lives of the children of a circuit-riding preacher and their adventures touring as an opera troupe by private railroad car as the family did in later days as performers.

This is an appealing novel for junior readers, which will be enjoyed by anyone who enjoys a story of how things used to be.



*The Foulke family, hiking in Sweden*



*Cornelia Andrews DuBois, author*

**EUROPE UNDER CANVAS** by Patricia and Robert Foulke, Prentice-Hall, Inc., Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey 1980.

Whether you're a novice or an experienced camper, *Europe Under Canvas* can help you turn these dreams into reality. With this vacation guide, you'll learn how to travel in comfort through some of the most interesting parts of Europe—free to follow your own schedule of interests—at just a fraction of the cost of a package tour.

The handbound book is a guide to camping for singles, couples and families by a couple who are sharing lessons learned over 24 years of traveling and camping. They cover the many details of planning and taking a trip through Europe, with special emphasis on traveling with a family. They offer itineraries for England, Scotland, Central Europe and Scandinavia. Patricia Nelson Foulke is a Theta from Upsilon chapter, Minnesota. She is a remedial reading teacher in Glens Falls, New York and is working on a doctorate at SUNY-Albany. Robert Foulke is chairman of the English Department at Skidmore College.

Sightseeing tips, routine and distance information, maps, campsite locations and advice on what to do in an emergency are indications of thoroughness with which the subject of camping while traveling in Europe is presented.



# The Wedgwood Circle 1730-1897

**THE WEDGWOOD CIRCLE, 1730-1897**, Four Generations of a Family and Their Friends. Eastview Editions, Inc., Westfield, New Jersey, 1980. By Barbara and Hensleigh Wedgwood.

Everyone who reads Barbara and Hensleigh Wedgwood's beautifully illustrated new book, *The Wedgwood Circle, 1730-1897*, will look at a Wedgwood dinner service or her grandmother's blue Jasper vase with a new appreciation of its history. This book, written by Barbara Boyd Wedgwood and her husband, Hensleigh, is the finished product of four years of research into never-before published family journals, letters and photographs. Because the story of this illustrious family and its associations is inextricably linked with the history of the British Empire, the book is an important document, but it is even more interesting in its intimate revelation of the family relationships. Its publication coincides with the 250th anniversary of the birth of the first Josiah Wedgwood, and carries both the family and England's history from the first Staffordshire pottery in Etruria, through the reign of George III and the American Revolution, Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee, the Industrial Revolution's canals and railroads and the decline of Empire. It reflects all the complicated social, intellectual, and economic changes in which the Wedgwood coterie was closely involved.

The great figures of 18th Century literature, art, politics, and particularly science move through this chronicle, against a setting of Wedgwood country houses and London society. They are included, not just for their fame, but for their friendships. The works of Byron, Carlyle, George Eliot, Coleridge, Crabbe, Charles and Mary Lamb, Longfellow and the Poet Laureates Wordsworth and Tennyson were shared with their authors in Wedgwood drawing rooms. Memberships in intellectual societies such as the Lunar Society were supported, as was participation in religious and mystical groups, the Theosophists and meetings with Thomas Erskine's devotees.

The two most significant interrelationships were the three-generations of intermarriage with the Darwin family and Julia Wedgwood's romance with Robert Browning.

The Wedgwood family has been a part of British history for nearly 200 years since the Etruria Potteries (still operating) began with Josiah Wedgwood I, who, despite his wooden leg, worked beside his artisans to meet the rivalry of Doulton, Minton, Spode, and Worcester potters. To meet this competition, this first stout-hearted Wedgwood made a widely-displayed dinner service for the Russian Czar and the Portland Vase. This exquisite, famous replica of a 25 A.D. Roman antiquity brought the Wedgwood pottery its earliest prominence. From these inspired efforts evolved the wealthiest and most famous ceramic manufacturer in the world, members of which became founders of the Royal Horticultural Society, authors, historians, pioneers in photography, and scientists, whose achievements have insured the cultural and social recognition of the Wedgwood name. The inner characters and this large family's human qualities—even their weaknesses—make this many sided biography alive and absorbing. *The Wedgwood Circle* preserves a great family's legend with brilliant detail.

The authors, Hensleigh Wedgwood: great, great, great grandson of Josiah I and a great, great nephew of Charles Darwin; and his wife, Barbara Boyd Wedgwood present two annual lecture series and a two-act dialogue, *Browning's Other Romance* (by Barbara Wedgwood) and first produced in London. Barbara is a member of Beta Sigma chapter at Southern Methodist University. She earned her Master's Degree at the University of Texas, and is presently working on her doctorate in London. She is a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta Alumnae Club of Great Britain. The Wedgwood's current lecture schedule included the opening of the Theta Antique Show in Houston, Texas, September 1980.

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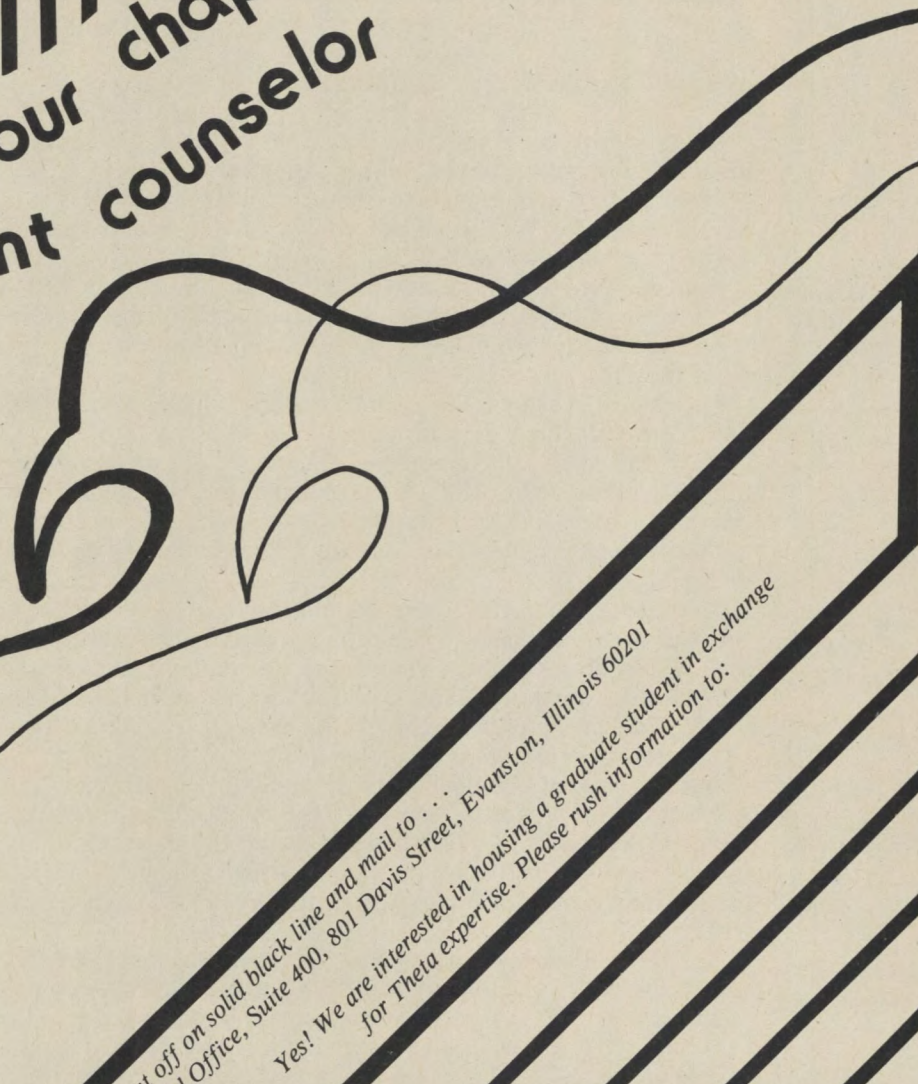
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## The Challenge of Fragmentation

by Seth R. Brooks, former President and General Secretary, BΘΠ

Comparing today to yesterday is a common way of looking at life. It is almost a general habit of aging generations of college graduates.

In my undergraduate years, our chapter never exceeded 33 in membership. We did not have automobiles. We had no University Center affording recreational facilities. We came to college to stay until vacations.

Because we were there, many things followed. In my four years we had total attendance at all weekly Chapter Meetings. At luncheon and dinner all members sat down together. Weekends, one or two might go home. All members would go on a serenade, a picnic, or to the local movie theatre.

The change in chapter life is something like a high-speed bullet hitting a plate glass window. Glass splinters in fragments.

Huge university student bodies are common. The major change is found in the illustration of the shattered plate glass. Fragmentation offers hundreds of choices earlier generations never knew. Travel by auto and plane is available. Weekends away from campus are outlets. The university offers everything from swimming pools to world-famous lecturers on tour.

The chapter is unable to be the compact group of years past. Members have schedules which keep them from chapter meetings, meals and weekends on campus. Activities, projects, causes, diversions are so numerous the chapter is another fragment.

What to do about it? Many of us don't want fraternities and sororities to pass from the scene. Many persons believe chapter life has a great deal to offer undergraduates.

There are positive things which can help!

One is a sense of a compelling force within the chapter moving it towards definite goals. A second is a feeling of affection for the chapter, its history, its attainments and what it stands to profess. A third is a belief in the ideals upon which the Fraternity is founded. A fourth is spirit, which holds a group together. (The pride of the Yankees—the motto of the Marine Corps.) A fifth is a central loyalty to the group, a core of devotion, a touch of selflessness.

Nothing will change the on-going life of universities. Chapters will not experience the small, close-knit, on-campus away-from-home-groups they once were.

The pieces of the shattered window cannot be put together. The fragmentation of life is here to stay. However, in that fragmentation may we have the wisdom to know the value of chapter life. May it have a pull, a central purpose, and a call for mind and heart which will go beyond fragmentation and hold men and women together in their chapter life.

—from the Beta Theta Pi



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# Theta Concern

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Symbolically the pansy means thought for others, an idea which has continued to grow and develop under the cultivation of the Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation during the nearly twenty years of its existence.

The seeds of twenty years ago have blossomed into a garden of pansies showing many different faces and at times leaning on one another for support, typical of any well-tended plot of pansies.

The seed was sown to enable the members of our fraternity to support their scholastic, leadership and philanthropic programs effectively. In 1970, Theta's centennial year, a new project, or petal on the face of the pansy was added—the Community Involvement Program. This endeavor brings Theta philanthropy money back into the local communities. Grants of at least \$1,000 are awarded each convention year to various community philanthropies in which Thetas are involved in helping to meet the needs of others throughout the United States and Canada. These philanthropies are sponsored by Theta alumnae or college chapters which make application to the Foundation for a grant. At the 1980 Grand Convention in June, the following grants were awarded.

### Boulder Alumnae Chapter

The Boulder Alumnae Chapter's association with HOSPICE began two years ago when Beau Bohart, Beta Iota, Colorado, presented a program on death and dying and the Hospice concept. The interest in her work as volunteer director of Boulder County Hospice prompted the chapter to allot the local portion of its philanthropy budget for that year to her agency. Recognizing that the dying and those close to them have special physical, psychological and spiritual needs the Hospice staff provides 24 hour skilled medical, nursing and volunteer services in the supportive atmosphere of the individual's home. For the past two years Theta alumnae have sponsored "Dinner for Eight"—a catered and served gourmet meal for which raffle tickets are sold, providing funds for their project.

### Topeka Alumnae Chapter

All Thetas are more than familiar with the Institute of Logopedics in Wichita! But how many are aware of the Field Centers sponsored by the IOL in various communities? One such center is located in Topeka and is the special concern of local Thetas who have initiated a special fund to assist families who do not qualify for federal or state assistance but cannot afford speech therapy as a continuing part of their family budget. In addition to this funding many Thetas are providing transportation for some of the students. This Theta involvement arose when an alumnae chapter member who was a teacher appealed for help on behalf of one of her students.

\*-Theta Love and Care-





Sister Lourdes Leal explains the use of video equipment to Helen Topoglus McCrae, and Mary Kaine Carter, San Antonio Alumnae Chapter president.

### San Antonio Alumnae Chapter

In 1971 the San Antonio Alumnae Chapter established an endowment fund to provide scholarships for those participating in the Parent/Child Home Program of the Harry Jersig Center. The object of the home service is to provide direct help in the home for 0-4-year-old children who are physically or mentally handicapped or show evidence of language and speech difficulties. It is but one of the many programs in the field of communicative disorders offered by the Center. Thetas have been on the board of directors since 1963 and the chapter had contributed gifts and services for several years prior to turning their energies to the educational endowment funding. This endowment will grow even more with the addition of the Community Involvement grant they will receive.

### Gamma Omega — Auburn

PROJECT UPLIFT is an intensive delinquency-prevention, family service community agency administered by the School of Home Economics at Auburn to help troubled, unstable families in Lee County, Alabama. Gamma Omega chapter has been involved with PROJECT UPLIFT in many different ways since it began its services in 1973. Members have had bake sales to raise money and have collected food baskets for needy families in the program, but one of the most enjoyable projects is the "Burst Into Spring Party" given for several of the children in the area. An afternoon of games and fun ends with sweet refreshment—ice cream and cake!—with the Thetas obviously having as good a time as their guests. Presently, PROJECT UPLIFT is in need of a van to provide transportation in expanded activities and Gamma Omega is focussing its energies toward this goal for the coming year.

### Foundation Funds Special Grants

In addition to the ten grants of \$1,200 each made under the Foundation's Community Involvement Project, two special contributions were approved by the board of trustees in the amount of \$500 each. These went to *Mission Hospice* of San Mateo County, California, and to the *Coyote Point Museum*, also of San Mateo.

Mission Hospice was founded by a Theta, Marguerite "Mac" Nash, herself a victim of cancer who devoted the last 22 months of her life to its establishment. A relatively new independent organization it is supported by gifts from the community and from individuals to carry the Hospice concept into the homes of others faced with terminal illness. The San Mateo Alumnae Chapter has recently taken Hospice on as a recipient of local philanthropy funds, and Thetas plan to serve as volunteer staff where needed and qualified.

Barbara Dickson Peterson, Beta Eta, University of Pennsylvania, requested a grant to aid the Coyote Point Museum, a natural history and environmental facility where people can learn about their complex environment. A unique feature of Coyote Point is its emphasis on the natural features of San Mateo and the impact that population growth and people have had on the surroundings. Several Thetas are on the board of trustees and serve as docents.



Gamma Omegas "Burst Into Spring" party with the Project Uplift for children





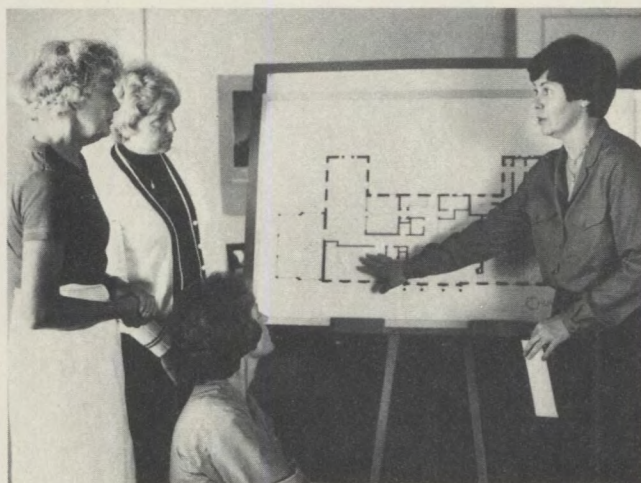
*Sally Rodgers, Alpha Chi, Purdue with a child patient at the speech screening project in Clearwater.*

## Clearwater Alumnae Club

The *Pre-School Speech and Language Program* in which the Clearwater, Florida Thetas are involved had its start when 15 concerned volunteers met to help set up a pre-school screening program under the Director for Communicative Disorders at the Morton F. Plant Hospital. Identifying the need for such a program was one step; finding the necessary "people-power" was another. Theta alumnae became interested and provided the volunteers who were instructed to administer a pre-school language test used by the Pinellas County school system. Through this testing, deficits are discovered, parents counselled to help their child overcome any handicap before entering school and in some cases children with exceptional abilities are identified and encouraged. The CIP grant will be used to hire an audiologist to train more volunteers to screen hearing, and the program will be completed to cover both speech and hearing. Twelve local Thetas have been working in this program and more are ready to move into the audiology testing.

## Portland Alumnae Chapter

Recently designated as an Historic Landmark, the Old Kerr Nursery is in the process of restoring this old building to serve the community and to heighten its awareness of the services provided by the Albertina Kerr Center for Children. Specifically, three volunteer-run businesses—at least 400 volunteers will be involved—are to be developed and housed in the Nursery building, the profits from which will go to the work of the Kerr Center. A special events room has been the special project of Portland Thetas and the Foundation funds will help purchase folding chairs and tables to furnish it for various functions.



*Old Kerr Nursery Project co-director, May Ann Hatfield describes restoration of the Special Events Room to Theta alumnae Sue McCormick, Betty Bauer, and Wilma Arbuckle.*

## Philadelphia Alumnae Chapter

*Meals On Wheels* provides well-balanced, packaged (one hot) meals each week-day to persons in their own homes who cannot prepare food for themselves, or perhaps would not if left to their own devices. The alumnae chapter has supported "Meals" for six years, monetarily and with volunteer power and at present over 25 Philadelphia Thetas living in different communities of the metropolitan area are involved serving four Meals on Wheels programs.

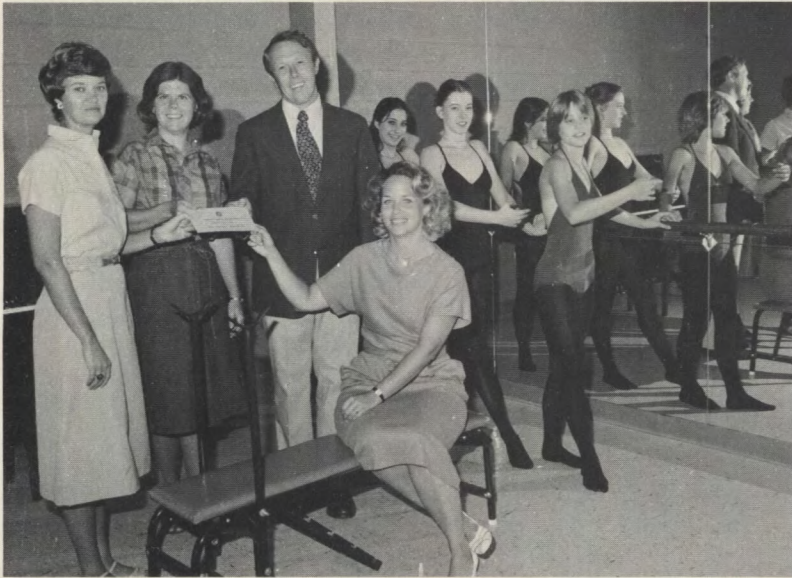
A doll house exhibition, "Miniature Mansions," has been a most successful fund-raiser the past two years and members feel a great deal of unity has come from volunteering for a single service but in their own communities. The CIP grant will be equally shared by the agencies.



*Eileen Wolfgram Ware, President of the Philadelphia Alumnae Chapter presents a check to Marie O'Neill, director of Meals on Wheels while Carol Brehman and Sandy Jones look on.*



# Community Involvement



*Kansas City Alumnae Diane Smith, Enid Dick and Caroline McKnight present check for Harmony Hall at the Crittenton Center to Gary Baker, director of the Center.*

## Kansas City Alumnae Chapter

The Crittenton Center is a comprehensive child care agency consisting of a children's psychiatric hospital for boys and girls age 5-18, a residential treatment center for adolescent girls 12-18, and a special education school including a community day care center. As the largest child care agency in the state (it is the only one accredited to provide such services) for every child admitted, six are turned away. The Kansas City alumnae have raised funds for Crittenton through sale of its cookbook and more recently a "Miniature World" show, success of which has made possible the creation of a music room appropriately called Harmony Hall. Receipt of the CIP grant will fund expansion of the music/dance therapy program at the Center.

## Clemson Alumnae Chapter

Clemson alumnae chose the *Clemson Child Development Center* as its local philanthropy after Delta Phi chapter members and alumnae had served the center on a volunteer basis. The CCDC provides a comprehensive pre-school child care program for low-income families emphasizing day care, nutrition, physical health, social, emotional and intellectual development of the children enrolled. The CIP grant will be used to establish a book/toy lending library service which college and alumnae members plan to help operate. A Theta will serve on the committee selecting materials to be used.



*Debbie Lambert, Hartford Alumnae Chapter president gives a check to the Hartford Interval House director.*

## Hartford Alumnae Chapter

A chapter meeting program which featured a speaker from *Hartford Interval House* sparked the interest of the group to support this community-based organization committed to ending domestic violence by providing emergency shelter and supportive services to battered women and their children. The only agency of its type in the area, Hartford Interval House provides emergency shelter and a "hotline" service on a 24-hour basis, as well as on-going support and referral assistance. Alumnae efforts have been directed to gathering monthly donations of clothing, furniture, household items, toys and essentials needed to help the women toward setting up a new home, and the Foundation grant will enable Interval House to expand its community education program through purchase of much needed office equipment.



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